

Finance and Government Operations Commission Meeting Minutes
Middletown, Connecticut
August 28, 2013
Municipal Building Room 208
7:00 P.M.

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Present: Ronald Klattenberg, Joseph Bibisi, Hope Kasper, Carl Erlacher,
Thomas Serra, William Russo, Brian Young, Linda Bettencourt, Damon Braasch, Wayne
Bartolotta, Bruce Driska, William Oliver, Deb Stanley, Salvatore Nesci, Arthur Meyers

Absent: Philip Pessina

Public Comments on the Agenda: None

1. Ronald Klattenberg called the meeting to order and requested a motion to approve the minutes from the July 31, 2013 Finance and Government meeting. Thomas Serra made the motion to approve and Joseph Bibisi seconded; Hope Kasper abstained.
2. The following Departments are scheduled to discuss their budget and programs:
Ronald Klattenberg requested that the items on the agenda be reversed, starting with the Common Council Appropriation, all agreed.
3. **Common Council – Appropriation Request for \$20,000 for Pension Ordinance.**
 - Thomas Serra stated that there was no further need for discussion on this matter; the funds are just being relocated (rolled over) in this budget cycle.
 - Joseph Bibisi made the motion to approve and Hope Kasper seconded.

-Approved unanimously –

Public Works - Resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign application for \$65,000 of LOCIP funds for installation of fencing & netting around new soccer fields on Long Hill Road.

- Tom made the motion to approve and Hope Seconded.

-Approved unanimously to send to the Council Floor-

Public Works/Finance – Ordinance Appropriating \$1,150,000 for Acquisition of Streetlights through Bond Sales; Ordinance Appropriating \$15,200,000 for Road, Sidewalk & Public Works facilities improvements through Bond sales.

- Hope made the motion to approve the Streetlight Acquisition and Tom seconded.
- Joseph Bibisi made the motion to approve the ordinance appropriating \$15,200,000 for the road, sidewalk and public works facilities, Tom seconded.

-Approved unanimously to send to the Council Floor.

Finance – CNR Department Proposals for FY 13/14, 14/15 and 15/16.

- Carl Erlacher discussed the CNR proposals totaling \$6.79 million dollars over the next three years.

- Carl stated that the Council will have to make some difficult decisions regarding the departments CNR requests
- Carl asked if this commission was doing a one year CNR or a three year CNR.
- Hope stated a one year CNR.
- Carl clarified that a motion will be made for the Public Works Department bonding request for \$749,000.
- Tom said that was correct.
- Tom suggested that they discuss this not as a whole but as yearly requests. The 2013/14 year one million dollar request will be allocated to \$314,000 for the Police Department and the balance for the other departments.
- Tom stated once that is done than the Finance and Government committee can then discuss the second year requests at the October/November meeting.
- Tom stated that they will be funding this first year but the second year there might be some adjusting.
- Carl stated that he would do an appropriation request not to exceed nine hundred and fifty thousand dollars.
- Tom made the motion to approve and Hope seconded.

-Approved to send to the Council Floor-

Regular Reports – Information Only

- Transfer of Funds
- General Fund Appropriations
- City's Investments
- Monthly Expenditure Summary Report
- Tax Collection Recap Report
- Department Over-Time Reports

6. The next meeting is October 2, 2013 at 7pm in Room 208

Meeting Adjourned

Tracks: MZ0000080-92 (7:08- 8:08pm)

Respectfully
Submitted by,

Tracy Vess on behalf of Carl R. Erlacher